

**PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS AND DOSAGE FORMS**  
**FOR ADMINISTRATION OF HYDROPHOBIC DRUGS**

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

Pharmaceutical compositions and dosage forms for administration of hydrophobic  
10 drugs, particularly fenofibrate, are provided. The compositions comprise a  
therapeutically effective amount of an active agent and a solubilizer. The solubilizer is  
selected to effectively solubilize active agent in the composition. The solubilizers  
employed as part of the invention include: a vitamin E substance; monohydric alcohol  
esters such as trialkyl citrates, lactones and lower alcohol fatty acid esters;  
15 nitrogen-containing solvents; phospholipids; glycerol acetates such as acetin, diacetin  
and triacetin; glycerol fatty acid esters such as mono-, di- and triglycerides and acetylated  
mono- and diglycerides; propylene glycol esters; ethylene glycol esters; and  
combinations thereof. The pharmaceutical dosage forms contain the compositions in a  
suitable dosage form unit such as a capsule. Methods of treating patients comprising  
20 administering the compositions are also provided.